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President Joe Shirley, Jr., congratulates Mayor Bob Rosebrough on completion of term as Gallup mayor, friendship to Navajo people

GALLUP, N.M. – Navajo Nation President Joe Shirley, Jr., thanked Gallup Mayor Bob Rosebrough for his leadership and friendship to the Navajo people as he presided over his last meeting of the Gallup City Council last night.

"We really appreciate the reaching out, the working with us and accommodating some of the positions taken by the leadership, and I believe the Mayor has done that very well."

He said he and his wife, Navajo Nation First Lady Vikki Shirley, had an opportunity to work with Mayor Rosebrough on issues important to both the Navajo Nation and Gallup, particularly regarding alcohol and DWI. He said they thoroughly enjoyed the relationship that was established.

He said on behalf of all Navajos he wished him well.

"I want to say thank you from the heart on behalf of the people for having done all you've done on our behalf, as well as for the City of Gallup."

The President presented the Mayor with a Pendleton rode with the seal of the Navajo Nation, as well as a turquoise bolo tie.



Navajo Nation President Joe Shirley, Jr., presents a Pendleton rode with the Navajo Nation seal to Gallup Mayor Bob Rosebrough as he presides over his last Gallup City Council meeting.



Left, President Shirley presents a silver and turquoise bolo tie to Mayor Rosebrough. Right, in June 2005, at the opening of the Bosque Redondo Memorial, Mayor Rosebrough and his wife Brenda present Navajo Nation First Lady Vikki Shirley and the President with Navajo blankets as a token of their mutual friendship and respect.

